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US v. Belloisi, 20-CR-219 (DLI)

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INTERVIEW OF PAUL BELLOISI

AA MECHANIC

2025 HOURS

S/A JOHN MOLONEY

S/A SEAN GABAY

AT 2021 HOURS, Δ WAS READ HIS MIRANDA RIGHTS.

Δ SAID HE UNDERSTOOD HIS RIGHTS, READ THEM AND STATED Δ WOULD SPEAK TO AGENTS WITHOUT AN ATTORNEY PRESENT BUT WOULD NOT SIGN THE MIRANDA FORM.

Δ STATED HE WORKS FOR AMERICAN AIRLINES AS AN AIRCRAFT MECHANIC FOR 30 YEARS, 21 OF THEM AT JFK AIRPORT.

Δ STATED HIS WORK SCHEDULE CONSISTS OF MON-FRIDAY, 2:00PM TO 10:30PM.

Δ STATED THAT TODAY HE WAS ASSIGNED TO WORK AT "SPOT 1" FROM 2:00PM UNTIL 10:30PM.

Δ WAS WORKING ON PLANES THAT WERE GROUNDED, NOT AT THE GATE AND NOT FLYING OUT.

Δ STATED HE WAS NOT ASSIGNED TO THIS AIRCRAFT BUT CAME HERE BECAUSE HE WAS HUNGRY AND HE SAW THE SKY CHEF TRUCK NEAR THE PLANE.

Δ SAID HE CAME TO THIS PLANE A LITTLE BEFORE ANYONE BOARDED THE AIRCRAFT.

A STATED HE WENT TO THE GALLEY OF THE PLANE TO GET SOMETHING TO EAT.

A ATE A BAG OF CHIPS AND DRANK A SODA ON THE PLANE.

A STATED HE WAS THE ONLY ONE ON THE PLANE AT THIS TIME.

A NOTICED IT WAS VERY WARM ON THE PLANE SO HE TURNED ON THE AIR CONDITIONING (AC).

A NOTICED THAT ONE OF THE AC PAC UNITS WAS NOT WORKING PROPERLY SO HE WENT INTO THE COCKPIT TO TURN THE SWITCH TO TROUBLE SHOOT THE PROBLEM.

A STATED AFTER DOING SO HE SAW A LIGHT COME ON SO HE DECIDED TO GO UNDERNEATH THE AIRCRAFT TO RESET THE AC AND FIX THE PROBLEM.

A STATED HE WENT UNDERNEATH THE AIRCRAFT AND DID FLIP THE SWITCH TO FIX THE AC, BUT ALSO NOTICED AN INSULATION BLANKET TAPED TO THE SIDE.

A STATED HE TOUCHED THE INSULATION AND FELT SOMETHING BEHIND IT.

A STATED HE LIFTED PART OF THE INSULATION BLANKET BUT DID NOT EXACTLY SEE WHAT WAS BEHIND IT.

A STATED HE WAS NERVOUS WHEN HE CAME OUT OF THE AIRCRAFT BECAUSE HE SAW CUSTOMS OFFICERS.

A STATED THE REASON WHY HE FELT NERVOUS IS BECAUSE HE ASSUMED IT WAS DRUGS BEHIND THE BLANKET.

AT APPROXIMATELY 2300 HOURS A STATED HE WANTED TO SPEAK WITH AN ATTORNEY.

AT THIS TIME AGENTS STOPPED QUESTIONING.

AT APPROXIMATELY 0030 HOURS AGENTS ASKED A FOR AN EMERGENCY CONTACT FOR THE US B12 FORM.

A STATED HIS WIFE'S CELL PHONE # IS IN HIS PHONE. AGENTS ASKED A TO OPEN HIS PHONE TO RETRIEVE THE #.

A told AGENTS IT IS UNLOCKED AND THAT AGENTS CAN LOOK IN HIS PHONE.

AGENTS ASKED A TO SIGN A CONSENT TO SEARCH FORM, AT WHICH POINT A STATED YOU CAN LOOK AT MY PHONE, I HAVE NOTHING TO HIDE, BUT REFUSED TO SIGN THE FORM.